

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (currently amended): A method for providing a virtual film, in which said method is implemented by connecting a mobile terminal with camera to a server through an electronic communication line, comprising the steps of:

~~a request-receiving~~ a request~~step~~, in which said server receives a request for using a specific virtual film selected from among a plurality of types of virtual film displayed on said mobile terminal with camera;

~~an allocating~~ step~~a region~~, in which, in order to use said selected virtual film, said virtual film is associated with an identification information, and said server allocates a~~said~~ region for said virtual film;

~~a photo-data-receiving~~ photo data~~step~~, in which, based on identification information of said virtual film, said server receives photo data as taken from said mobile terminal with camera; and

~~an outputting~~ step~~said photo data~~, in which when the end of said virtual film is reached or subsequent to this, said server outputs said photo data associated with said identification information for said virtual film.

Claim 2 (currently amended): A method for providing virtual film as described in Claim 1, further comprising the steps of:

Claim 6 (currently amended): A method for providing virtual film as described in Claims 1-5, wherein:

in said request receiving step, said server receives a request for using a specific virtual film selected from among a plurality of types of virtual film classified in advance by said server.

Claim 7 (original): A method for providing virtual film as described in Claim 6, wherein:
said plurality of types is classified according to photo genre.

Claim 8 (original): A method for providing virtual film as described in Claim 7, wherein:
said identification information of said virtual film includes said photo genre name as a character string.

Claim 9 (currently amended): A method for providing virtual film, in which said method is implemented by connecting a mobile terminal with camera to a server through an electronic communication line, comprising the steps of:

~~a request-receiving~~ a request~~step~~, in which said server receives, from said mobile terminal with camera, a request for using a virtual film with a limiting film end;

~~an allocating step~~ a region, in which, in order to use said requested virtual film, said virtual film is associated with an identification information, and said server allocates ~~a~~said region for said virtual film;

~~a photo data-receiving photo data~~step, in which said server receives photo data as taken from said mobile terminal with camera; and

an outputting step, in which when the end of said virtual film is reached or subsequent to this, said server outputs said photo data received by said server.

Claim 10 (currently amended): A method for providing virtual film as described in Claim 1 ~~or 9~~, wherein further comprising the steps of:

regulating said film end ~~is regulated~~ by when the number of photos received reaches a set number.

Claim 11 (currently amended): A method for providing virtual film as described in Claim 10, further comprising the steps of:

~~an intermediate display step~~displaying the number of photo data, in which, of the number of photo data that can be received, the number of photos remaining in said virtual film is displayed on said mobile terminal with camera.

Claim 12 (currently amended):. A method for providing virtual film as described in Claim 1 ~~or 9~~, wherein further comprising the steps of:

regulating said film end ~~is regulated~~ by when a set interval of time has passed from a receiving time period for said photo data.

outputting said photo data is output to an external storage medium.

transmitting the output of said photo data is transmitted to a desired transmission destination through said electronic communication line.

an outputting photo data step, in which when the end of said virtual film is reached or subsequent to this, said server outputs said photo data associated with said identification information for said virtual film.

an outputting photo datastep, in which when the end of said virtual film is reached or subsequent to this, said server outputs said photo data received by said server.

with said photo data receiving step, said server receives photo data sent, based on said identification information, from a plurality of said mobile terminals with camera which share said identification information of said virtual film.

Claim 18 (currently amended): A method for providing virtual film as described in ~~Claims~~Claim 15-17, wherein further comprising the steps of:

~~a notification step is implemented in which there is notification of notifying said address~~
specifying information to said mobile terminal with camera from said client device.

including client specifying information relating to said client device is ~~included~~ in said usage request from said mobile terminal with camera.

~~a notification step~~notifying supporting data, which is effected from said client device to said mobile terminal with camera, is for notification of supporting data which includes information relating to address specifying information and virtual film, and is for supporting the usage request from said mobile terminal with camera to said server.

said notification of address specifying information from said client device to said mobile terminal with camera is conducted with respect to e-mail addresses already registered in said client device.

Claim 22 (currently amended): A method for providing virtual film as described in ~~Claims~~Claim 18-or-19, wherein:

notification of address specifying information from said client device to said mobile terminal with camera is conducted with respect to an e-mail address selected from e-mail addresses already registered in said client device.

Claim 23 (currently amended): A method for providing virtual film as described in Claims ~~15-or-16~~, wherein further comprising the steps of:

holding by said server, holds-in advance prize specifying information;
~~during request receiving step or before or after this step, there is evaluation of~~evaluating
whether or not data relating to said prize specifying information is included;
if prize specifying information is included, processing a corresponding prize~~processing step~~
~~is implemented.~~

Claim 24 (currently amended): A server, in which said server is connected to a mobile terminal with camera through an electronic communication line, comprising:

a means for receiving request, in which a request for using a specific virtual film selected from among a plurality of types of virtual film displayed on said mobile terminal with camera is received;

a means for allocating, in which, based on said request, a region which corresponds to said virtual film and which can be identified by identification information for said virtual film is allocated;

a means for film management, which receives photo data sent as taken from said mobile terminal with camera and stores said photo data in said corresponding region for said virtual film which is identified by said identification information and, in addition, at the least, manages the film end of said virtual film;

a means for outputting, in which when the end of said virtual film is reached or subsequent to this, said photo data stored in said region of said virtual film is outputted; and

a means for canceling allocation, in which, when said film end managed by said virtual film management means is reached or subsequent to this, the allocation for said region for said virtual film is cancelled.

Claim 25 (currently amended): A server, in which said server is connected to a mobile terminal with camera through an electronic communication line, comprising:

a means for receiving request, in which a request for using a virtual film which has a limiting film end is received from said mobile terminal with camera;

a means for allocating, in which, based on said request, a region which corresponds to said virtual film and which can be identified by identification information for said virtual film is allocated;

a means for film management, which receives photo data sent as taken from said mobile terminal with camera and stores said photo data in said corresponding region for said virtual film

a means for canceling allocation, in which, when said film end managed by said virtual film management means is reached or subsequent to this, the allocation for said region for said virtual film is cancelled.

Claim 26 (currently amended): A server as described in ~~Claims~~Claim 24 ~~or 25~~, wherein:
said virtual film management means regulates said film end of said virtual film by when the
number of photos received reaches a set number.

Claim 27 (currently amended): A server as described in Claims Claim 24 ~~or 25~~, wherein:
said virtual film management means regulates said film end of said virtual film by when a
set interval of time has passed from a receiving time period for said photo data.

Claim 28 (currently amended): A server as described in ~~Claims~~Claim 24-27, wherein:
said output means copies or transfers said photo data stored in said region of said virtual film
to an external storage medium.

Claim 29 (currently amended): A server as described in ~~Claims~~Claim 24-27, wherein:

said output means transmits said photo data stored in said region of said virtual film to a desired transmission destination.

Claim 30 (currently amended): A server as described in ~~Claims~~Claim 24-29, wherein:

said request receiving means receives a request for using a specific virtual film selected from among a plurality of types of virtual film which have been classified in advance; and

wherein said allocating means allocates said region of said virtual film such that said region is identifiable by said identification information for said virtual film which includes said photo genre name.

Claim 31 (currently amended): A method for providing a virtual film, in which said method is implemented by connecting a mobile terminal with camera to a server through an electronic communication line, comprising the steps of:

~~a request-receiving~~ a request~~step~~, in which said server receives a request for using a specific virtual film selected from among a plurality of types of virtual film displayed on said mobile terminal with camera;

~~a first display step~~ displaying identification information, in which, at least when said request for using said virtual film is received by said server, said identification information for said virtual film is displayed on said mobile terminal with camera; and

~~a photo-data-receiving~~ photo data~~step~~, in which based on identification information of said virtual film, said server receives photo data as taken from said mobile terminal with camera.

~~a photo data-receiving photo data~~step, in which based on said terminal-side identification information for said virtual film, said server receives photo data as taken from said mobile terminal with camera.

an outputting step said photo data, in which, when the film end of said virtual film is reached or subsequent to this, said server outputs said photo data associated with said identification information for said virtual film.

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a means for film management, which receives photo data sent from said mobile terminal with camera and stores said photo data in said corresponding region for said virtual film which is identified by said identification information and, in addition, at the least, manages the film end of said virtual film;

a means for outputting, in which when said film end managed by said virtual film management means is reached or subsequent to this, said photo data stored in said region of said virtual film is outputted; and

a means for canceling allocation, in which, when said film end managed by said virtual film management means is reached or subsequent to this, the allocation for said region for said virtual film is cancelled.

Claim 41 (currently amended): A server, in which said server is connected to a mobile terminal with camera through an electronic communication line, comprising:

a means for receiving request, in which a request for using a virtual film which has a limiting film end is received from said mobile terminal with camera;

a means for allocating, in which, based on said request, a region which corresponds to said virtual film and which can be identified by identification information for said virtual film is allocated;

a means for film management, which receives photo data sent from said mobile terminal with camera and stores said photo data in said corresponding region for said virtual film which is identified by said identification information and, in addition, at the least, manages the film end of said virtual film;

a means for outputting, in which when the film end which is managed by said virtual film management means is reached or subsequent to this, said photo data stored in said region of said virtual film is outputted; and

a means for canceling allocation, in which, when said film end managed by said virtual film management means is reached or subsequent to this, the allocation for said region for said virtual film is cancelled.